

Las Cruces, NM – This week, Harry Teague wrote a letter to President Obama, asking him to assist in expediting the replacement of veteran grave markers that were damaged and stolen from Mountain View Cemetery in Deming. Harry Teague addressed the issue during his visit to Fort Bliss this week to greet troops returning from Iraq.

“This indignity to America’s heroes must be rectified as quickly as possible. The freedoms that are enjoyed by you and I today were provided by these veterans, and this blemish on our nation’s commitment to honor those who sacrificed for their country must be erased,” Harry Teague writes in the letter. “I respectfully request that you assist me in having these requests for new markers expedited so that we can honor these veterans with dignity and respect.”

Following reports of vandalism at the cemetery, Harry Teague immediately reached out to city officials and the VA to ensure that the replacement process is expedited. Once proper paperwork is submitted, the VA will work with Teague’s office to quickly provide new headstones to replace the damaged markers. Earlier this week, his district staff hosted special Mobile Office Hours in Deming to assist family members in ordering new headstones.

You can read his [full letter](#) to the President [here](#) .

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